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SUBJECT: US-USSR S&T AGREEMENT: WATER RESOURCES (01.12)

1. EMBASSY RECEIVED ON FEBRUARY 27 A LETTER FROM I. I. BORODAVCHENKO, DEPUTY MINISTER OF THE MINISTRY OF LAND RECLAMATION AND WATER RESOURCES, FOR TRANSMISSION TO DR. WILLIAM BUTCHER, DEPT OF INTERIOR. LETTER BEING POUCHED UNDER REGISTRY 1911704. TEXT OF INFORMAL TRANSLATION FOLLOWS.

2. "DEAR DR. BUTCHER:

THANK YOU FOR YOUR LETTER OF DECEMBER 14, 1977, IN WHICH YOU SUGGESTED THE TIME AND PLACE FOR HOLDING THE FOURTH MEETING OF THE JOINT US-USSR WORKING GROUP ON WATER RESOURCES.

WITH DUE REGARD FOR THE CIRCUMSTANCES DESCRIBED IN YOUR LETTER, I WOULD SUGGEST THAT THE MEETING BE HELD DURING APRIL 4-11. THIS WOULD ENABLE THE USSR COORDINATOR OF PROJECT 1-1, "PLANNING AND MEASURES FOR RATIONAL USE OF WATER RESOURCES," MR. A. M. VOLYNOV, TO STAY AFTER THE MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP SO AS TO CONTINUE THE WORK WITH THE TEAM UNDER SUB-PROJECT 1-1.1, "DESIGN AND
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CONSTRUCTION OF LARGE CANALS," WHICH WILL ARRIVE IN THE U.S. APRIL 9, AS AGREED WITH MR. K. BARRET. MEMBERS OF THE USSR SECTION OF THE JOINT WORKING GROUP ARE PLEASED TO ACCEPT YOUR PROPOSAL TO VISIT THE AMARILLO CANAL PROJECT IN FARMINGTON (NEW MEXICO) AND WOULD PREFER, IF POSSIBLE, TO SEE THE CENTRAL ARIZONA PROJECT INSTEAD OF THE PROPOSED TRIPS TO YUMA OR ROSWELL SINCE THERE WILL BE NO DESALINIZA-

TION OF SOILS EXPERTS AMONG THE GROUP. SHOULD THIS
ALTERNATIVE PROVE ACCEPTABLE TO YOU, A VISIT TO CENTRAL
ARIZONA SHOULD BE EXCLUDED FROM THE ITINERARY OF THE USSR
TEAM UNDER SUBPROJECT 1-1.1.

AS FAR AS OUR PROPOSALS ON COOPERATION ARE CONCERNED, I
HOPE TO FORWARD THESE TO YOU IN THE NEAREST FUTURE IN THE
FORM OF A DRAFT PROTOCOL AND JOINT WORK PROGRAMS FOR
1978-79. OF THE NEW TOPICS, WE WOULD LIKE ONLY TO DISCUSS
THE POSSIBILITY OF COOPERATION IN DESIGNING SOFT
INFLATABLE STRUCTURES FOR HYDRAULIC WORKS. PERTINENT
INFORMATION HAS BEEN SENT TO MR. L. O. TIMBLIN, JR.

SINCERELY YOURS, I.I. BORODAVCHENKO."

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